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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Kishiko Itoh; Masahiko Hatori

For (title): **COMMUNICATION ADAPTER AND CONNECTION SELECTION METHOD**

1. Type of Application

This transmittal is for an original (nonprovisional) application.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTIONS 1.8(a) AND 1.10\*

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**2. Papers Enclosed**

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application

32 Page(s) of Specification

13 Page(s) of Claims

10 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

2 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney

1 Page(s) of abstract

**3. Assignment**

An assignment of the invention to **International Business Machines Corporation; Armonk, NY** is attached. A separate "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING NEW PATENT APPLICATION" is also attached.

**4. Transmittal of Certified Copy**

Attached please find the certified copy of the foreign application from which priority is claimed for this case:

Country: JAPAN

Application Number: 2000-376636

Filing Date: Dec. 11, 2000

**5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16)**

Regular Application

**CLAIMS AS FILED**

<b>Claims</b>	<b>Number Filed</b>	<b>Basic Fee Allowance</b>	<b>Number Extra</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$710.00</b>
<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$36.00</b>
<b>Independent Claims</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>	<b>\$800.00</b>
<b>Multiple Dependent Claims</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Filing Fee Calculation</b>					<b>\$1,546.00</b>

**6. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

Enclosed

Filing Fee \$1,546.00

Recording assignment (\$40; 37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(h)) (See \$40.00  
attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING  
NEW APPLICATION".)

**Total Fees Enclosed \$1,586.00**

**7. Method of Payment of Fees**

Charge Account No. 09-1990 in the amount of \$1,586.00.  
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

**8. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 09-1990.

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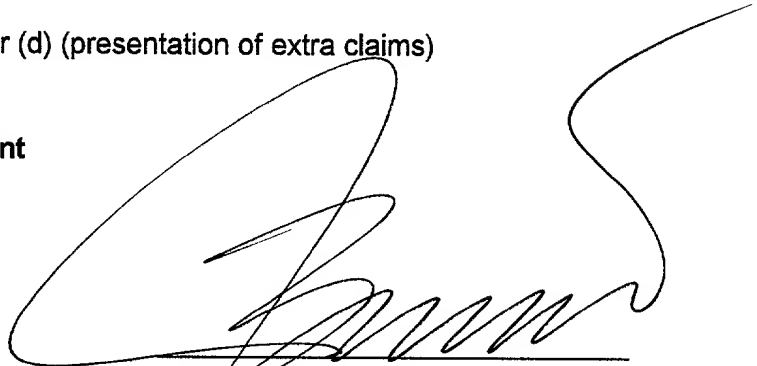
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